

Amendments to the Claims:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) An optometric apparatus for subjectively examining a visual function of an examinee's eye, including:

a pair of right and left lens chamber units, each including a test window and optical elements to be changeably disposed in the test window;

a support unit which supports the lens chamber units so that the units may be converged;

a near vision examination chart to be disposed in front of the test window at a changeable distance from the test window; and

an illumination unit which ~~illuminates~~ irradiates illumination light to the near vision examination chart, the illumination unit being provided in each lens chamber unit.

2. (Original) The optometric apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the illumination unit is provided near the test window of the lens chamber unit so that an illumination optical axis is almost parallel to an examination axis of the test window.

3. (Original) The optometric apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the illumination unit is provided with a white LED as an illumination light source.

4. (Currently Amended) The optometric apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the illumination unit is provided with a white light source and an infrared light ~~source~~ source which emits infrared light for detection of a height of the examinee's eye.

5. (Currently Amended) The optometric apparatus according to claim 1 further including

switching means for switching an examination mode to a near vision examination mode, and

control means for controlling turning on of the illumination unit according to the switching to the near vision examination mode.

6. (Currently Amended) The optometric apparatus according to claim 1 further including

setting means for setting a near vision examination distance, and

control means for controlling a light quantity of the illumination unit according to the set near vision examination distance.

7-8. (Canceled)

9. (Currently Amended) ~~The~~ An optometric apparatus ~~according to claim 7~~ further including for subjectively examining a visual function of an examinee's eye, including:

a pair of right and left lens chamber units, each including a test window and optical elements to be changeably disposed in the test window;

a support unit which supports the lens chamber units so that the units may be converged;

a support rod provided in the support unit;

a near vision examination chart provided movably in an axis direction of the rod;

an illumination unit which illuminates the near vision chart within a movable range of the near vision chart, the illumination unit being provided in each lens chamber unit;

switching means for switching an examination mode to a near vision examination

~~mode,~~mode; and

control means for controlling the illumination unit according to the switching to the near vision examination mode.

10. (Currently Amended) ~~The~~An optometric apparatus ~~according to claim 7~~
~~further including~~ for subjectively examining a visual function of an examinee's eye,
including:

a pair of right and left lens chamber units, each including a test window and optical elements to be changeably disposed in the test window;

a support unit which supports the lens chamber units so that the units may be converged;

a support rod provided in the support unit;

a near vision examination chart provided movably in an axis direction of the rod;

an illumination unit which illuminates the near vision chart within a movable range of the near vision chart, the illumination unit being provided in each lens chamber unit;

setting means for setting a near vision examination ~~distance,~~distance; and

control means for controlling the illumination unit according to the set near vision examination distance.